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Dear Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement, mailed June 5, 2002, Applicant elects, with traverse, Group III, claims 23-54, 63, 65-82, 85 and 141-143, drawn to a method of providing for selective proliferation of a first cell relative to a second cell, where the nucleic acid encoding an altered human IMPDH is introduced into the first cell *in vitro*. Applicant further elects, with traverse, the altered human IMPDH sequence described in Example 3 of the specification and listed as SEQ ID NO. 3. Claims 23-54, 63, 70-78, 81, 82, 85 and 141-143 read on the elected species.

Preliminary to the examination of the above-captioned application, please amend the application as follows:

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